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June 2, 1999

Mr. David Waddell  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, TN 37243

Re: *Third Party Testing of BellSouth's Operational Support Systems*  
Docket No. 99-00347

Dear David:

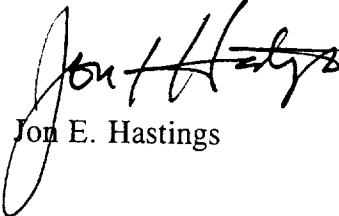
Enclosed please find the original plus thirteen copies of MCI WorldCom's Petition to Intervene which we would appreciate your noting filed in the above-captioned docket. We have provided copies of our Petition to all parties of record. We have also enclosed our check in the amount of \$25.00.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

BOULT, CUMMINGS, CONNERS & BERRY, PLC

By:

  
Jon E. Hastings

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Enclosures

cc: All Parties of Record

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**IN RE: Third Party Testing of BellSouth's Operational Support Systems  
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**PETITION OF MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
d/b/a MCI WORLDCom FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE**

MCI Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a MCI WorldCom ("MCI WorldCom") pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated Section 4-5-310, petitions the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") for leave to intervene in the above-referenced proceeding and participate as its interests may appear and in support of its Petition, states as follows:

MCI Telecommunications, Inc. is a Delaware corporation authorized to do business in the State of Tennessee, operating as an interexchange carrier under a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. As a holder of such certificate, MCI WorldCom has legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities and other legal interests that will be affected by and determined in the above-captioned proceeding. Allowing this intervention is in the interests of justice and will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of these proceedings. MCI WorldCom, therefore, seeks to intervene and participate as its interests may appear.

The successful opening of the competitive local telecommunications marketplace hinges on many factors. One of the most important factors is the availability of access to BellSouth's operational support systems ("OSS"). To date, the availability of real access to BellSouth's OSS

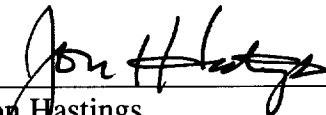
has not existed. Third party testing of OSS is a tried and tested method of assuring such access and thus, moving toward the goal of full competition in the local telecommunications market.

MCI WorldCom requests the TRA to grant its intervention petition, to participate in this proceeding with all attendant rights and responsibilities, to receive copies of any notices, or orders, or any other dockets filed herein, and to have such other, further and general relief as the justice of its causes may entitle it to receive.

Dated this 2nd day of June, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,

By: \_\_\_\_\_

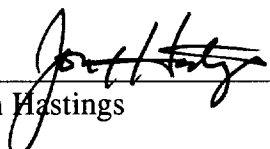
  
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Counsel for Petitioner

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that a copy of the foregoing has been hand delivered or mailed to the following persons on the 2nd day of June, 1999.

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Jon Hastings